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## A mural of U.S.S. Chicopee to be painted

**By Dalton Zbierski**
*Staff Writer*

CHICOPEE – Local artists are leading a charge to bring the city's past back to life. Inspired by Chicopee's rich history, and passionate about the role that it has played in our country's growth, everyday residents are using art to educate.

A visual history lesson will soon be prominent outside of the Cabot Liquor Store. A mural of the U.S.S. Chicopee, a U.S. Navy vessel that served valiantly in the Pacific Ocean theatre during World War II, is being painted on the exterior the Exchange Street business.

"The U.S.S. Chicopee is a ship that earned four battle stars in World War II. It was named after the Chicopee River, after our raging waters, and it contributed to the betterment of our country," said Johnny Miranda, president of the Chicopee Cultural Council.

The U.S.S. Chicopee, a Chicopee-classed oiler, was launched on Sept. 6, 1941, and served as the lead ship of her class. The vessel supplied fuel for the U.S. Pacific Fleet Fast Carrier Task Force during prominent battles such as Iwo Jima and Okinawa, and also

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Above, the USS Chicopee, named after the Chicopee River, was the lead ship of her class of oilers for the U.S. Navy during World War II and contributed to the U.S. victory in the Pacific Ocean theatre of the conflict.

*COURTESY PHOTO*

Right, Gabriel Martinez and Cultural Council President Johnny Miranda as they prepare the exterior of an Exchange Street business for a mural of the U.S.S. Chicopee.

*COURTESY PHOTO BY JOHNNY MIRANDA*

COMMUNITY

## Library keeps serving residents, book pick-up available

The Chicopee Public Library's book truck is filled with materials on the morning of Aug. 24.

*COURTESY PHOTOS BY NANCY CONTOIS*

**By Dalton Zbierski**
*Staff Writer*

CHICOPEE – Local residents have not been permitted inside of the Chicopee Public Library for the past six months due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Despite that unusual reality, the library itself is still functioning on a high level.

"While the library remains closed, we are available Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. until 7 p.m., and Friday, 9 a.m. until 5 p.m., to assist customers. We schedule curbside pickups daily, with a morning and a late afternoon pick-up time," said Director Nancy Contois.

Since beginning its curbside program on June 8, the library has checked out 15,947 items to 3,519 customers, noted Contois on the morning of Aug. 24. Technological resources are additionally available to residents of all ages.

"We are also scheduling computer use, as well as the use of our scanner/fax or photocopier," said Contois. "These services are available by appointment, by calling our Reference Department. We will continue to provide our programs, virtually."

Library staff members continue to operate inside of the building while following safety protocols mandated by the state. Staff precautions include practicing social distancing, wearing masks in the workplace, washing hands before and after orders and using hand sanitizer before and after delivering books to a vehicle.

All returned materials are held for a minimum of 72 hours before being checked in and returned to circulation, and all pickup orders are being placed into bags to protect patron privacy, protect the materials and limit unnecessary contact. Contois made light of her staff's effort while continuing her description of the library's available tools.

"The library's website has a variety of online resources to assist with research and homework help. Staff are available to assist with locating resources and will also collect materials on needed topics and make them available at our curbside pickup," said Contois.

Every morning, dozens of items placed in brown bags are prepared for curbside pickup. A tent can be found in the parking lot of the facility at 449 Front St. during several

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# City Council supports Council on Aging at meeting

**By Dalton Zbierski**
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CHICOPEE – The City Council made its support for the Council on Aging known while discussing numerous items that pertained to the senior center during an Aug. 11 meeting. Several councilors arrived at City Council Chambers to participate in the meeting while others phoned in, but all were on the same page regarding the COA.

The council unanimously passed an item allowing for a $6,897 donation that will help to cover costs incurred by the COA's senior meal program during the COVID-19 pandemic. The donation was the sum of many contributions, and Ward 6 Councilor Derek Dobosz applauded the large scale effort.

"I just want to mention that I know a lot of seniors rely on meals like this, especially during these trying times. I just want to thank the community for these donations and I want to thank the Council on Aging for everything they're doing to help our seniors get through the pandemic," said Dobosz.

Ward 3 Councilor Lucjan Galecki proposed that the council craft a thank you card to be delivered to each individual who donated, and the council agreed. Dobosz continued to express the importance of the senior meal program.

"I know that a lot of people have trouble finding meals and cooking and that type of thing, so I really appreciate the Mayor [John Vieau]; I appreciate the city for what its doing to help seniors make sure that they get their meals during the pandemic. Thank you," he said.

**The City Council showed its support for the Senior Center at a recent meeting during which accepted almost $7,000 in donations.** *STAFF PHOTO BY DALTON ZBIERSKI*

The senior center is currently offering its pick-up meal service to Chicopee seniors five days a week; Monday-Friday. The price per meal is $3, and the COA asks that older adults who would like to pick up a meal during the 1 to 3 p.m. window call 413-534-3698 a day prior to reserve a meal.

Meals will be cooked but must be eaten away from the senior center premises, and a menu can be found on the city's website. Ward 9 Councilor Stan Walczak complimented all of the COA employees who sustain the daily program.

"We should also recognize the staff at the Council on Aging because they are the ones who are taking this money and putting it to good use with the meals; preparing them and getting them out to the public. Thanks to the staff at the Council on Aging," he said.

During the meeting, the council also approved a $1,595 donation for COA programming, $526 to support the COA's monthly newsletter and $205 for the new senior center building fund. Councilor-at-Large James Tillitson voiced his appreciation for the community's benevolence.

"Contributing to the programming is a big help because it helps a lot of [seniors] who are trying to find out what to do and how to do it during this coronavirus. Monies to pay for programs that reach the people are important at this time. I'm glad to see this," said Tillitson.

Regarding the COA newspaper, Tillitson reiterated his message. From personal experience, he reminded his fellow councilors and the audience of the newsletter's value.

"This newsletter really tells the seniors what's going on in the community. It comes here to my house; my wife gets it, and we read it to see what's going on," he said. "It's really important now because some of the things that would normally be going on are not going on because of the virus, so this is really helpful. Donating to that is a really good cause."

## Rick's Place to offer free grief support

WILBRAHAM – Children and families who have experienced the loss of a loved one are invited to participate in virtual peer groups to take place in late August, facilitated by the nonprofit Rick's Place. The peer groups are designed for children, teens and their caregivers.

Rick's Place, named for Rick Thorpe, a Wilbraham native and Minnechaug Regional High School graduate who died in the Tower Two collapse of the World Trade Center on 9/11, offers peer-supported bereavement services for children who have experienced death. For more information or to schedule a virtual intake meeting, visit ricksplacema.org or call 413-279-2010.

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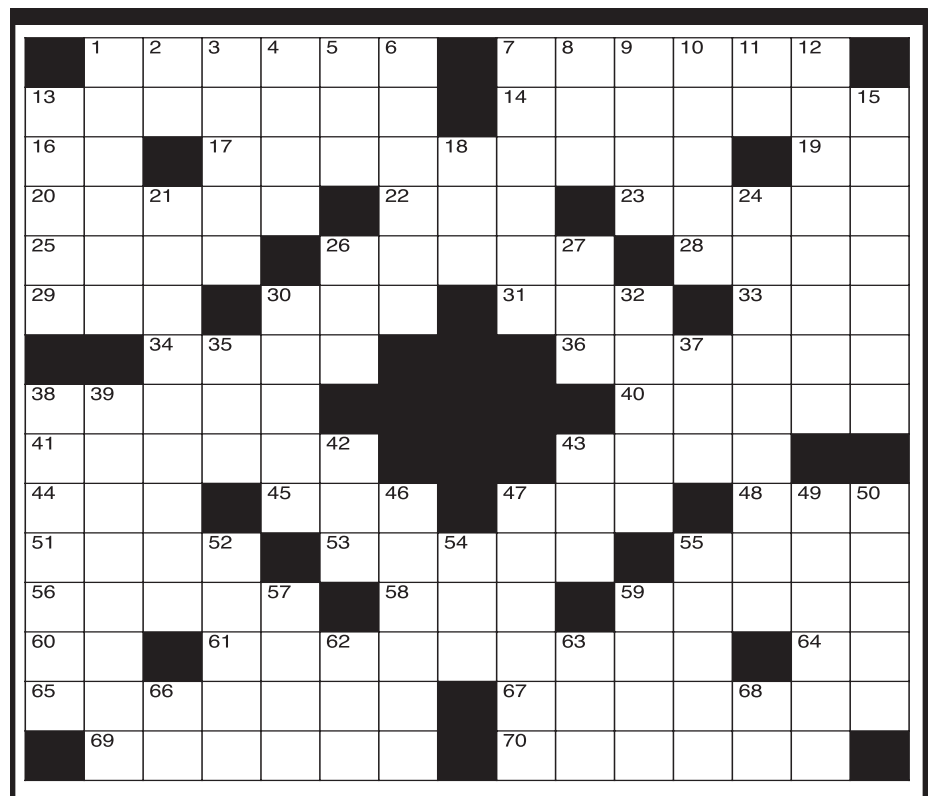

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1. Slopes
7. Attacks
13. One who has left prison
14. Goes against
16. Atomic #37
17. Home of The Beatles
19. Mac alternative
20. A common boundary with
22. Fluid in a plant
23. Genus that includes scads
25. Longer of the forearm bones
26. Gradually disappears
28. AI risk assessor
29. Type of whale
30. Jaws of a voracious animal
31. Patriotic women (abbr.)
33. Ancient Egyptian God
34. Obsessed with one's appearance
36. Erase
38. A type of smartie
40. Nostrils
41. Influential French thinker
43. Popular K-pop singer
44. One point south of due east
45. Payroll company
47. Moved quickly on foot
48. Bar bill
51. An idiot
53. Indicates silence
55. Protein-rich liquids
56. Rhythmic patterns
58. Scatter
59. Belongs to bottom layer
60. Impulsive part of the mind
61. Carousel
64. Type of degree
65. Ornamental molding
67. Locks in again
69. Sounds the same
70. Come into view

**CLUES DOWN**
1. Speak rapidly
2. Trauma center
3. River in W. Africa
4. Ancient Greek district
5. Bulgaria's monetary unit
6. Children's ride
7. Absorbed liquid
8. Markets term
9. Retail term recording sales
10. Automaton
11. Spanish form of "be"
12. Divide
13. Malaysian sailing boat
15. Writers
18. Cool!
21. Popular tourist attraction studio
24. Sets free
26. An enthusiastic devotee of sports
27. Unhappy
30. Alternate term for Holy Scripture
32. Influential French scholar
35. What thespians do
37. Local area network
38. Free from contamination
39. Coastal region of Canada
42. Sun up in New York
43. High schoolers' exam
46. Fathers
47. Call it a career
49. Suitable for growing crops
50. Rose-red variety of spinel
52. Orange-brown in color
54. Lowest point of a ridge between two peaks
55. Late TNT sportscaster
57. A way to wedge
59. Cold, dry Swiss wind
62. Hockey players need it
63. Something highly prized
66. Atomic #45
68. Top lawyer

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# Library Tourney on Sept. 27

CHICOPEE – The Friends of the Chicopee Public Library are pleased to announce their 18th annual Golf Tournament, that will be held this year on Sunday, Sept. 27. Golfers are encouraged to sign up early and report for golf at noon on Sept.27. Lunch will be available as each group passes by the clubhouse followed by a 12:30 p.m. shotgun start for the golf scramble at the Chicopee Country Club. The day's events will include; lunch, a cart for every golfer, 18 holes of golf, and a post tournament dinner on-site. Raffle drawings, closest-to-the-pin, hole-in-one, and long-drive prizes will be awarded.

Through fundraisers such as this, The Friends are able to contribute to many library needs, programs and events that would otherwise go unfunded. It's a wonderful way for people and local businesses to have fun while contributing directly to their community.

People can support the Friends efforts by participating in the tournament by entering a foursome (though individual golfers are always welcome) and/or sponsoring the event. There are several sponsor levels to choose from: Platinum $1,000, Gold $500, Silver $250, Tee $100 and Memorial $100. Or donate a raffle prize as many are needed and very welcome. Another great way to promote your business while supporting the Library.

Please mail your completed registration form, $100 entry fee and/or sponsorship form and donation payable to the "Friends of the Chicopee Public Library"as soon as possible to: Friends of the Chicopee Public Library, Attn: Golf Tournament, 449 Front St., Chicopee, MA 01013.

Printable applications and sponsorship forms can be found on the Friends' website at www.FriendsOfChicopeePublicLibrary.org,but if anyone has questions or would like an application mailed to them, please contact the Golf Committee by calling John Moran at 413-594-6458 or emailing jmoran6458@charter.net. Alternatively people can call William Muldoon at 413-533-4832 or email him at wcmuldoon@gmail.com.

Please consider joining friends and golfers for this popular annual event and support fund raising efforts for the Chicopee Public Library. On behalf of the Friends of the CPL thanks to everyone for their support and participation in this year's tournament.

# Schools answers questions about the fall

**By Dalton Zbierski**
*Staff Writer*

CHICOPEE – The Chicopee School District is well aware of the uncertainty surrounding its recent decision to adopt a hybrid approach for students' return to class this fall. In an effort to clear the air, the district's top administrators held a virtual question and answer session last week.

The 45-minute program aired on ChicopeeTV and is available for viewing online. The discussion featured information from many of the district's top administrators and covered a wide range of material.

Residents were given the opportunity to submit questions beforehand, and many of them were answered by Superintendent Lynn Clark. She detailed why the district pursued the visual initiative.

"We thought that it was really important to have an honest conversation about some of the details that we do know. It is completely normal to ask a lot of questions and to be a little confused right now because this is not school as any of us knew it; this is different," said Clark.

First and foremost, the meeting highlighted the number of students that will return to school on Sept. 15, the first wave of the phased-in approach. No school will have more than approximately 50 students while smaller schools such as Lambert-Lavoie Elementary and Belcher Elementary will have no more than 20 during Phase I.

### Remote v. in person

This fall, parents have the option to send their students to school or opt for remote learning. Students who elect to go to class in person can revert to the remote program, but remote students cannot reenter the buildings for five months.

"Choosing remote and changing your mind is not so easy, truthfully. Once you choose remote, you are locked in until Feb. 1," said Clark. "The reason for that is because the numbers drive the amount of teachers we need in the building and the amount of students we have in each class. We would not be able to do that easily."

Students who will begin schooling in person on Sept. 15 will participate in "substantially separate" programs or face a disadvantage that prevents remote learning. Students who are homeless, in foster care or are English Language Learners will return to school on that day.

High school students who return to the classroom next month to participate in programs such as machine tool, automotive, horticulture, carpentry, buildings and grounds, metal, fabrication, electrical, printing, Jr. ROTC or entrepreneurship, according to Matthew Francis, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction and Curriculum.

### Three-week phases

"Each phase is three weeks long; that came at the suggestion of the Board of Health, which we absolutely take," said Clark. "Towards the end of the current phase, we will look at health metrics, we will discuss them as a group and see if we are able to move on, pause or if we have to reverse back to a different place."

On Oct. 5, students in preschool, kindergarten, first-grade, sixth-grade and ninth grade will re-enter the building, as will juniors and seniors who attend Chicopee Academy. On Oct. 26, second-graders, third-graders, seventh-graders, 10th-graders and freshmen and sophomores at Chicopee Academy will return to class.

On Nov. 16, fourth-graders will return to class, and on Dec. 7, fifth, eighth, 11th and 12th-graders will do the same. Whether remote or in-person, the academic year for all students will begin remotely on Sept. 15, and attendance will be taken.

### Masks, mask breaks

All students in all grade levels will be required to wear masks in school, except during outdoor activities such as recess or physical education. Francis said.

"There will be regular mask breaks throughout the day," he said. "Building principals are currently working on the daily schedule to get as many mask breaks as possible throughout the day. That is including recess as well, and PE outside would be considered a mask break. There will be additional breaks throughout the day and additional recesses to accommodate for those mask breaks."

Regarding both remote and in-person learning, the school day will begin at 8:45 a.m. and last until 2:38 p.m. for elementary students. The academic day for middle and high school students is set to begin at 8 a.m. and end at 2:08 p.m.

"Within the remote piece, whenever possible, students will be taught by Chicopee teachers," said Francis. "We have to dedicate remote teachers to the remote platform and in-person teachers to the in-person platform. If there is a significant [student] switch at any point in the year, [he or she] will not be assigned the same teacher."

### Symptoms, isolation

Amena Assaf, the district's nursing supervisor, was on-hand to cover the protocols that have been put in place if a student or staff member shows symptoms of COVID-19. Students and staff will not have their temperatures taken daily, but will be isolated upon exhibiting symptoms.

"Students and staff showing any symptoms should stay home and notify their primary care physician and get tested for COVID-19 prior to returning back. If they do not wish to get tested, they must self-quarantine for 14 days, and contact their primary care physician for further instruction," said Assaf.

Students or staff members who test positive will be asked to isolate for 10 days and not to return until 24 hours have passed without any symptoms.

"Any student that shows symptoms [at school] will be placed in a medical waiting room until they're ready to go home. They'll be referred to their primary care physician, and staff are encouraged to go home, call their doctors, quarantine and get tested," said Assaf.

In preparation for the school year, the district has stockpiled numerous resources such as masks, face shields, gloves, gowns, disinfectant wipes, signage and hand sanitizer for every classroom and each hall. Each school will have a "medical waiting area designated for any student who has symptoms of COVID," said Assaf.

### Cleanliness

Director of Maintenance Scott Champlain also contributed to the discussion, saying the district has enough PPE for all schools for 12 weeks, as was recommended by the state. He said he was very enthusiastic about the 45 electrostatic sprayers the district will have prepared for Sept. 15.

"We purchased some electrostatic sprayers before March; we were lucky enough to get them before COVID actually happened. We really like how they work," said Chaplain, who has since ordered 40 more.

The sprayer is perhaps the most effective tool that the district has as it prepares to fight the invisible virus.

"The electrostatic sprayer actually charges the entire unit and not just the surface," he said. "It wraps around the entire unit. The cleaner that we use is a very low dose chlorine product. It only has a one-minute dwell time. Once you spray it on, you do not have to spray it off, but we have done it because if we're spraying something two or three times a day we don't want to leave that residue on there. We wipe it off after."

The question and answer session can be viewed on one of ChicopeeTV's numerous platforms, including its website, Vimeo page or Facebook page.

# Mike's Maze celebrates women's suffrage this season

SUNDERLAND – One hundred years ago, the decades-long battle for women's suffrage was finally realized with the passing of the 19th amendment. And 55 years ago, on Aug. 6, the Voting Rights Act of 1965 was passed, prohibiting racial discrimination in voting.

They have designed eight acres of campaign trails in honor of these landmark achievements in our country's history. From straw polls to donut holes, we invite everyone to celebrate democracy—socially-distanced—at Mike's Maze this fall.

Mike's Maze is open Sept. 11 through Nov. 1 at 23 South Main St. in Sunderland—just a short distance from Interstate 91, exit 24.

General admission is $15, with reduced rates for students, seniors and children. Children under four are free. To regulate the number of guests on-site, tickets must be bought online in advance for reserved timeslots.

Activities offered this fall:

• Explore eight acres of "campaign trails"

• Folks can cast their votes and lose theirg marbles in the contactless but interactive voting game

• Take a ride down the "Election Landslides"

• Take the pedal carts for a sanitized spin on the "Presidential Election Racetrack"

• Sling a spud, not mud at the "Pundit Potato Cannon Range"

Learn more about the maze and their COVID-19 safety precautions on their website: http://mikesmaze.com/covid-19/.

GUEST COLUMN

# In My Backyard

**By Ellenor Downer**

### Yellow warbler

I saw either a female or immature yellow warbler in the forsythia bush on a recent Sunday. The female or immature is a duller yellow than the male. It either has faint breast streaking or none at all. The immature females lack breast streaks and are buff olive with less yellow. The male is yellow with reddish streaking on its breast.

The yellow warbler is five inches long. They eat caterpillars, cankerworms, gypsy moths, beetles, aphids and other insects. The female lays four to six white eggs with blotches in a nest of milkweed, stem fibers, grasses, down and spider's silk. The yellow warblers song is a "sweet sweet sweet I'm so sweet" with the last note accented. It also has a musical "chip" call.

### Baltimore orioles

I received an email from a North Brookfield resident. She said, "I have had Baltimore orioles at my jelly feeder up until this week. I have put out seven quarts of grape jelly so far. But I have not seen an oriole this week can you explain where they could be?"

I also have not seen Baltimore orioles coming for orange halves that I put out. The catbird, a red-bellied woodpecker and a red squirrel also ate the oranges. Baltimore orioles start their migration south as early as July.

### Ruby-throated hummingbirds

Although Baltimore orioles migrate early, the ruby-throated hummingbirds do not start their migration until September. I fill my two nectar feeders every other day. I enjoy watching the hummingbirds chase each other around the feeders and spread their tail feathers while they hover. Whenever, I look at one of the nectar feeders, I do not have to wait long before one or more hummingbirds appear.

### Great blue heron

I was at Lake Winisquam on a recent Saturday with my daughter, Lynn and granddaughter, Cora. Cora and I were swimming when a great blue heron flew over the water and landed on the dock of our elderly neighbors. It was a beautiful day to be in the water, but they do not get outside very much so the dock is a quiet place even on a summer Saturday. I wondered if they saw it land and watched it as Cora and I did.

### Other birds at the lake

I saw one loon, three cormorants, some mallards and seagulls. The seagulls would land near boats anchored in the cove across the lake. They probably get some tidbits from people eating in their boats.

### Scarlet tanager

My son-in-law, Brian, saw a scarlet tanager in his yard. He went inside his house to look it up. It was a first sighting for him.

*People may report a bird sighting or bird-related experience by calling me at 413-967-3505, leaving a message at extension 100 or emailing mybackyard88@aol.com or edowner@turley.com.*

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# What will my wife's benefit be if I die?

**By Russell Gloor**

**SOCIAL SECURITY MATTERS**

Dear Rusty: I am 76-years-old and began collecting Social Security when I retired at the age of 62. My wife also began collecting when she turned 62 based on my benefits. She did not work enough to qualify on her own for Social Security benefits. My question is, how much will my wife receive after my death? Will she receive what I receive now, or will it be a percentage of the total that we both receive? Or will it be based on just my benefits alone or some other formula? Signed: An Inquisitive Senior

Dear Inquisitive: Your wife's survivor benefit as your widow will be based upon your Social Security benefit alone. Usually a surviving spouse receives the same amount the deceased spouse was receiving at death, if that is more than the survivor is already receiving, and if the survivor has reached their full retirement age. However, in your case, if you should predecease your wife there's a special rule which may benefit her because you claimed your benefit at age 62.

That rule says that because you claimed before your full retirement age (FRA), your wife's benefit as your survivor should be at least 82.5% of the benefit you were entitled to at your full retirement age (66), even though you actually claimed at age 62. And because your benefit was reduced by 25% when you took it at age 62, your wife's benefit as your widow may actually be more than you are receiving when you pass. This special rule is known as the "widow limit," which stipulates that a surviving spouse is entitled to the greater of what the deceased was receiving while alive, or 82.5% of the deceased's "primary insurance amount" or "PIA," which is the amount due at full retirement age.

Here's an example: If your FRA benefit amount was $1,500/month, then your age 62 amount when you claimed was $1,125. But due to the special rule, your wife would get $1,238 (82.5% of $1,500) instead of the reduced $1,125 amount. Of course, this example doesn't reflect the COLA (cost of living) increases which would have been applied to your benefit over the years, but as your widow and because you claimed before your full retirement age, your wife would be entitled to at least 82.5% of your PIA if that is more than the actual amount you were receiving when you passed.

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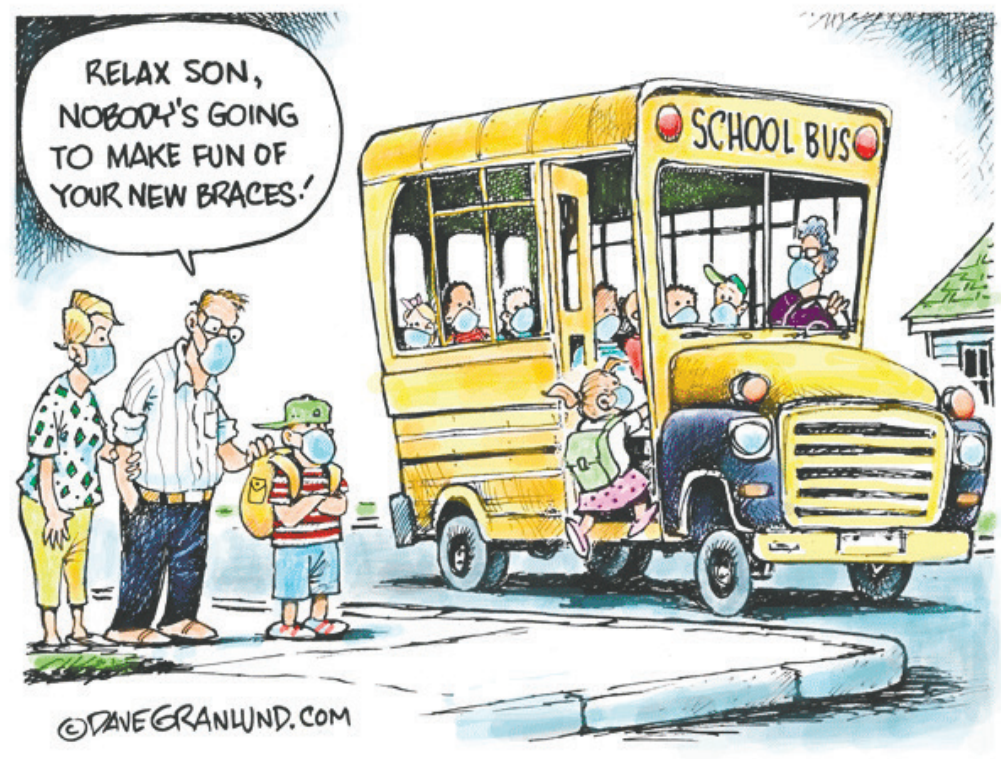


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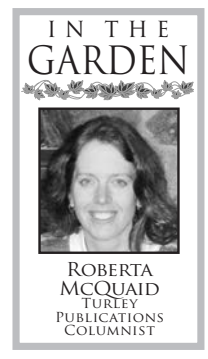
# Got larva? I have some answers




A gardener from Hardwick has grown broccoli for years and is accustomed to finding small green worms on her plants. This year, however, her crop went in a month late. Within the last couple of weeks, she's begun to encounter a striped worm on the stalks and even within the heads. "The markings on this caterpillar really stand out! What is it and how can I treat it?"

Sounds to me as if the cross-striped cabbageworm is visiting your broccoli patch. This pest tends to make an appearance late in the season. You are right; the larvae really do stand out, especially on your plate! They are three-quarter of an inch in length and have characteristic black and yellow stripes that run along each side of their body. Young foliage can be riddled with holes and buds can be eaten as well. When mature, the larvae drop from the plant to the soil and pupate in a tight cocoon enmeshed in sand. The adult moth is yellowish brown, with a wingspan of about an inch. Its forewings are marked with brown zig zags while its paler hind wings have five or six spots on them. Eggs are laid in masses on the foliage; when the weather is warm they hatch in less than a week.

The cross-striped cabbageworm as

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# Morse, Neal debate shows aggressive race

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SPRINGFIELD – In a showing of how ugly a primary race has gotten, Holyoke Mayor Alex Morse faced off against U.S. Rep. Richard Neal, D-Massachusetts, in a debate broadcast on NBC last Thursday night.

The moderator in the debate did not pull any punches, attacking many of the prominent issues that have been in the media during the past several weeks.

In that period of time, Morse has viciously attacked Neal's "Washington high-life" and stated that the high-ranking representative is funded by too many corporate donors and is out of touch with the needs of his district.

Neal has countered, alleging Morse has a poor record as a School Committee chair in Holyoke, and lacks progression in many aspects as mayor of the city for the past nine years.

Neal also spoke openly and directly in this debate and one held last Monday about allegations his campaign tried to sabotage Morse's candidacy by leaking a letter from College Democrats of Massachusetts stating Morse was involved in sexual relationships with male students at the University of Massachusetts-Amherst. At the time, Morse was a part-time lecturer at the school.

Neal categorically denied he or his campaign had anything to do with the story leaking just three weeks from the primary, while Morse countered simply by saying the timing was suspect, but could not offer any other proof beyond the timing and a rumor of a particular individual trying to curry favor from Neal's camp.

That question led off the debate, and from there, the two candidates sparred hard on several issues, including a battle over the CARES act and the fact Morse opposed it.

Neal chided Morse for his attack of the CARES act, saying it brought millions of dollars to Western Massachusetts and

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Careful pruning is the first means of control. Cut off the infected branch past the entry hole and destroy it. Then, improve your cultural practices. Water your bushes in times of drought (this year for sure has been droughty), and be careful not to injure them with mowers or weed whackers. Lime regularly to keep pH at an optimal level. Insecticides are used as a last result, and timing is tricky at best.

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# Agreement reached to bring back sports

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REGION – Under a joint plan from the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association and the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, there will be a high school sports season this school year.

In fact, there will be four.

The MIAA Board of Directors agreed to add a fourth "floating" or "bubble" season that could encompass sports that are not able to be played during the fall or winter seasons. The floating season is supposed to take place mainly during March 2021, and will feature football as the most prominent sport being played during that time.

However, under the official vote, the final dates for the final three seasons will be determined at a later date by the MIAA.

The fall season will begin on Sept. 18. The MIAA had at first, postponed the fall preseason to Sept. 14, but when school was postponed, the MIAA wanted to allow school to begin before allowing extracurricular activities.

Under the proposal, golf, cross country, field hockey, gymnastics, girls volleyball, and soccer will be allowed to play and have full contests under special guidelines that would take into account safe practices, social distancing and limited contact.

Football, at this time, would involve too much contact and this the sport will be limited to just practice only, along with cheerleading, and unified basketball, a sport that recently began playing in the fall season.

The winter season would consist currently of the typical winter sports offered, like swimming, basketball, hockey, wrestling, and indoor track. However, if the pandemic continues to dictate restrictions, it's possible the higher contact sports, like basketball and hockey, could either be postponed or pushed to the floating season.

The EEA, the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, is currently issuing the guidance for the various sports. The sports that are deemed a more moderate risk, will have make changes to the way games are played in order to be allowed to play.

Most of the changes are made in order to help with social distancing or to significantly limit contact.

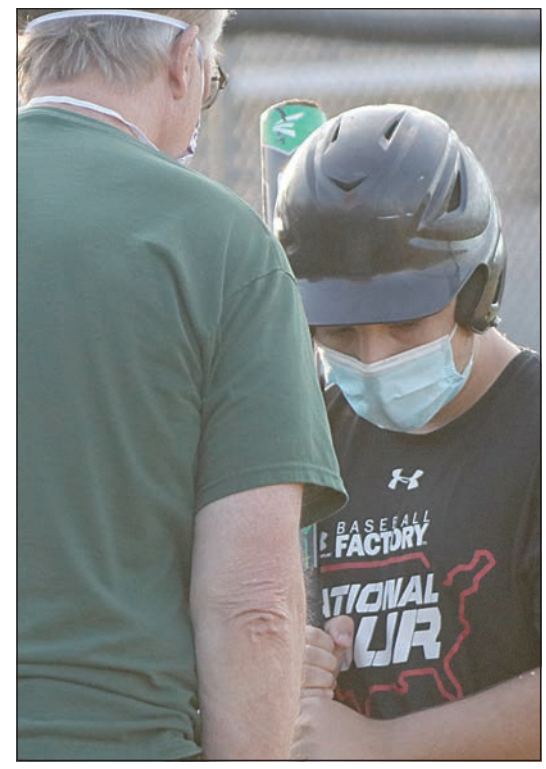
The most adversely affected sport could be soccer, as contact is close and while not as direct as football, does involve a moderate level of contact where two or three people are close to one another.

Another group that could be playing sports in the floating season are schools that do not participate in fall or winter sports due to their individual district going with remote learning. School Committees will have to vote on whether their high schools will be allowed to participate in interscholastic sports while they are in full remote learning. Holyoke, Springfield, Longmeadow, and East Longmeadow are among the districts that have voted to go fully remote in Western Massachusetts.

Other schools that stand to risk losing seasons are those classified in the red category under the governor's risk map for COVID. Right now, South Hadley is the only Western Massachusetts town currently in the red category. Holyoke and Granby were previously in the red, but were removed from that designation last Wednesday.

The MIAA plans to keep a close watch on data and frequently evaluate the situation, including if and when a vaccine is made available for COVID-19, allowing sports play to resume normally.

## Youth baseball clinic



**Holyoke City Councilor and former HCC baseball coach Terry Murphy has been hosting baseball clinics for area youth for the past few weeks. Unlike his normal summer league, there are no games being played due to the current restrictions during the pandemic, but clinics have been allowed to take place. Murphy said he wanted to give kids the opportunity to stay in shape and work on skills while games are not able to be played. His clinics drew more than 30 kids from all over the region and he said he has been asked to extend the clinics into September.** *PHOTOS BY GREGORY A. SCIBELLI*

# Board of Health approves youth soccer to play in fall 2020

CHICOPEE – The 2020 season has been approved by the Board of Health in hopes to having an abbreviated season that will start -TBA- and go through Sunday, November 1. Practices will be held during the weeknight, games will most likely just be weekends.

To participate, children must be at least 6 and entering 1st grade, through 8th grade.

Divisions:

Grade 1-2 (coed): All games in Chicopee

Grade 3-4 Boys: Games in Chicopee and away games throughout WMASS

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Grade 7-8 (coed): Games in Chicopee and away games throughout WMASS

Covid-19 Guidelines: (changes occur weekly based on State Guidelines)

All players must wear masks at all times during scrimmages and games. They also must bring their own equipment, hand sanitzer etc. There is no sharing of equipment.

Only 1 adult per child can attend a game. If this is not adhered to the game can be ended and organizations can be fined. This is to follow the state guidelines on the number of people at an outdoor gathering.

All spectators must wear masks at all times and stay 6 ft. apart at all times. Social distancing must be maintained. Spectators must sit on the opposite side of wear the children are during games and at no times be behind the goals. Supervisors will do random checks at fields to ensure all protocols are met.

Any spectator or child at a game or practice should do regular temperature checks. If anyone has a temperature over 100 degrees they must not take part and should always be symptom free for at least 14 days.

The registration process through the organizations on sign ups will start soon.

Organizations participating:

Knights of Columbus (K of C), Tigers AC, and St. Stans

If there are any questions please contact the Chicopee Parks Department at 413-594-3481.

# Bay State games launches 32nd year of Future Leaders

REGION – The Bay State Games is pleased to announce that applications are now being accepted for the 2020 Future Leaders Scholarship Program. This marks the thirty-second year of this valuable scholarship program that recognizes the leaders of tomorrow who excel in academics, community service, and athletics. The scholarship program is available to any Massachusetts High School student in the class of 2021. Due to the cancellation of the 2020 Summer Games, participation in the Bay State Games is not required but is recommended. Six $1,000 scholarships will be awarded to the top applicants.

"Bay State Games is proud to provide valuable college scholarships to student-athletes representing high schools and communities from across Massachusetts," said Bay State Games Executive Director, Kevin Cummings. "While the COVID-19 pandemic impacted our traditional spring timeframe for this scholarship, we have moved the process to the fall to ensure that students in the class of 2021 will still have access to this opportunity. I encourage all former Bay State Games Summer and Winter Games participants currently entering their senior year of high school to apply."

Candidates must submit their application information online by October 15, 2020. The selection process will begin with a review of each student's application, written recommendations, and transcripts. A number of students will then be selected for virtual interviews which will be conducted the week of November 9. At the conclusion of interviews, six statewide scholarship winners will be announced.

Additional information on the scholarship and a link to an application form can be found at www.baystategames.org/future-leaders-scholarship.

For questions, email info@baystategames.org or call 781-932-6555.

# MIAA Signs Multi-Year Partnership with the Power Ad Company

FRANKLIN – The Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA) has signed a multi-year partnership with the Power Ad Company to become the Official School Solutions Partner of the MIAA. The comprehensive partnership will include an integrated marketing presence throughout the year, enabling the Power Ad Company to connect with and support MIAA member schools.

"The MIAA is honored to partner with the Power Ad Company, a leading provider of solutions to schools throughout the country," said MIAA Executive Director Bill Gaine. "I believe our member schools across the state will find value in the products that The Power Ad Company offers. In particular, their antimicrobial products providing 90-day protection from COVID-19 should be a great benefit, as schools plan for reopening."

The Power Ad Company has been helping high schools throughout America since 1996. Based in Franklin, Ohio, the company provides a variety of solutions for schools, including:

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"The Power Ad Company is excited to partner with the MIAA," said Jennifer Westerfield, Owner and Senior Vice President of the Power Ad Company. "We are looking forward to helping schools reopen in a way that will not only go the extra mile to protect their students and staff, but will also save the school districts a lot of money by using a product (BioShield®75) that will kill microbes up to 90 days in a single application."

# Wade Cole Memorial 200 to be held at Monadnock on Saturday

WINCHESTER, N.H. – After a week off, action will return to Monadnock Speedy way as it hosts the Wade Cole Memorial 200 on Saturday evening. Here are details of this weekend's event.

Divisions: NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour (200 Laps), NHSTRA Modifieds , Street Stock, Pro Truck Series, Mini Stocks, Pure Stocks

Pit Gate Opens at 11 a.m. for Whelen Modified Tour Teams, Noon for Monadnock Speedway Teams. Pit Admissions ($40) - Practice at 2:00 PM - Time Trials at 5:00 PM

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# Western Mass Pioneers announce tryouts for upcoming season

LUDLOW – WUP FC is proud to hold tryouts for the 2020-2021 season. Tryouts are for boys and girls of all age groups including an open house for younger ages:

• Developmental Academy: players born in 2013-2015

• First Kick: players born in 2016

This registration session will allow you to complete contact information, and sign up for participation. Please read through each page carefully to ensure that all information is provided accurately.

To ensure we can create the safest environment for your player due to COVID19 precautions, we are still working on exact dates and times to conduct tryouts for the 2020-2021 season. Players may be invited to smaller training sessions and/or limited attendance tryout venues. You will be notified with options via email.



# Ocean State Job Lot delivers savings for teachers

*Educator Discount Week goes through Aug. 26*

**By Dalton Zbierski**
*Staff Writer*

NEW ENGLAND - There are 140 Ocean State Job Lot locations spread throughout New England and the mid-Atlantic, and they are all are doing their part to aid teachers who are returning to the classroom this fall. From Aug. 20 to Aug. 26, the retail chain celebrated "Educator Discount Week," allowing teachers to purchase brand name school supplies at a 25 percent discount.

The yearly initiative took on added significance in 2020, as teachers prepare to reenter the ambiguous world of teaching in-person and remotely, depending on which school district employs them.

"We value our teachers and the role that they play in educating and developing our youth at all times and in all situations," said OSJL Chief Marketing Officer Paul Conforti. "With the uncertainty around school opening plans right now, we hope this promotion reinforces our appreciation and helps them, in some way, get ready for the year ahead, whatever it looks like."

Conforti shared that a recent discussion he had regarding the return to school with a cousin who is both a teacher and a mother. Knowing that many teachers purchase their own school supplies, Conforti hopes that the sale helped to reduce their stress and display the business' appreciation for the dedication and professionalism that educators display.

"We wish our teachers were able to have easy access to the supplies and resources they need, but that's not the reality we face right now," said Conforti. "We are glad to be in a position to help them and are proud to provide assistance to those in need, whether it's teachers, first responders, military veterans or the many other groups that we support through our efforts and foundation."

Forty-three years after its establishment, OSJB remains a privately-held, family-owned business. Conforti noted that 100 percent of OSJB's charitable foundation's expenses are paid for by the company, a fact that he takes great pride in.

"I think this is something special about Ocean Stat Job Lot. It makes me proud to work here and I know the same is true for many of my fellow associates," said Conforti.

OSJL is also in the middle of a separate campaign, one that has greater implications than one might immediately consider. The "Crazy for Coins" campaign was launched in response to the country's shortage of coins, which continues to develop.

"No retailer wants to be caught in a situation where we can't make exact change for a customer. We decided we wanted to be proactive in making sure that we can avoid this issue," said Conforti.

The current initiative was created by CEO Marc Pearlman, who recognized the economic difficulties many Americans are currently facing.

"He was thinking that our government has been providing people with free money in the form of unemployment benefits and stimulus checks, and wouldn't it be great if OSJL could also provide people with free money to spend at OSJL. From our standpoint, we're creating an opportunity for the customer to shop in our store in the future so we feel it benefits us as well as them," said Conforti.

Customers who use $10 or more of full coin rolls to purchase an OSJL gift card will receive an additional "Crazy Deal Gift Card" equal to 40 percent of the value of the purchased gift card.

There are OSJL stores in Chicopee, Holyoke and Springfield.

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saved many jobs, including jobs right in Morse's home city of Holyoke. He said Morse would have been one of only five legislators to oppose the act. Morse said the CARES act did not go far enough.

Morse attacked Neal's opposition of the Green New Deal, an aggressive environmental act proposed by some Democratic House members. Morse claimed Neal is opposed to the Green New Deal because Neal's campaign is heavily supported by fossil fuel companies. Neal countered Morse's assertions saying he supported reducing the carbon footprint, but did not believe the Green New Deal would work in its current form.

Questions surrounded the economy, responses to the coronavirus pandemic, and the ongoing controversy at the Holyoke Soldiers Home.

Morse frequently attacked Neal's lack of presence in the First Congressional District of Massachusetts, while Neal attacked Morse's lack of presence in Holyoke. He referenced the number of school committee meetings missed while the state took over the schools, and that he was invited to be part of conference calls regarding the Soldiers Home, but Morse would either miss, or "drop out early" from the calls.

Morse said he believes a fresh face to change how politics in Washington is needed.

The two candidates will square off in the Sept. 1 primary. The First Congressional District in Massachusetts is the largest district geographically in the state, and includes most Western Massachusetts towns and cities. People should check with their local town or city clerk for early voting, mail-in voting, and in-person voting options.

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**The Trial Court**
**Hampden Probate and Family Court**
**50 State Street**
**Springfield, MA 01103**
**(413)748-7758**
**Docket No. HD20C0134CA**
**In the matter of:**
**Efren Y Calderon**
**CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME**

A **Petition to Change Name of Minor** has been filed by **Efren Y Calderon of Chicopee, MA** requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to:

**David Calderon**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: **Hampden Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 09/10/2020**.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

WITNESS, Hon. **Barbara M Hyland,** First Justice of this Court.
Date: August 13, 2020

**Suzanne T. Seguin**
Register of Probate
8/27/2020

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**Docket No. HD20P1348EA**
**Estate of:**
**Thaddeus A Pniak**
**Date of Death: 06/15/2020**
**CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION**

To all interested persons:

A Petition for **Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by: **Mary-Elizabeth Costello** of Chicoopee, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: **Mary-Elizabeth Costello** of Chicoopee, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **an unsupervised** administration.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 09/10/2020**.

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fueled air strikes on Japan.

"The ship was actually based out of San Francisco. I think it's interesting that the name of our river can be spoken about in other regions of the country and internationally," said Miranda. "The fact that kids will be able to walk by this mural and perhaps get curious about why that ship is there, and maybe start researching information; it's an educational motivator."

The mural of the vessel is the product of Christina Bryden's vision. The local artist submitted a grant application to the Council last year in hopes of earning funds to create a mural, and her goal will soon be realized.

Gabriel Martinez, owner of BHI Painting, was moved enough by Miranda's recent endeavors to volunteer his time. The painter explained the incentive of joining the cause.

"I've seen what he's been doing for the community and reached out to him. I just love what he's doing, and want to help out any way I can," said Martinez. "When you can express yourself it can be a beautiful thing for the community. Especially with these old buildings, a new paint job can brighten up the look. Basically, it just changes the entire landscape."

The U.S.S. Chicopee was decommissioned on July 1, 1946, and converted to a container ship in 1963. While its military service concluded long ago, Miranda believes that the ship's performance in World War II will forever be worthy of recognition and bring pride to the city.

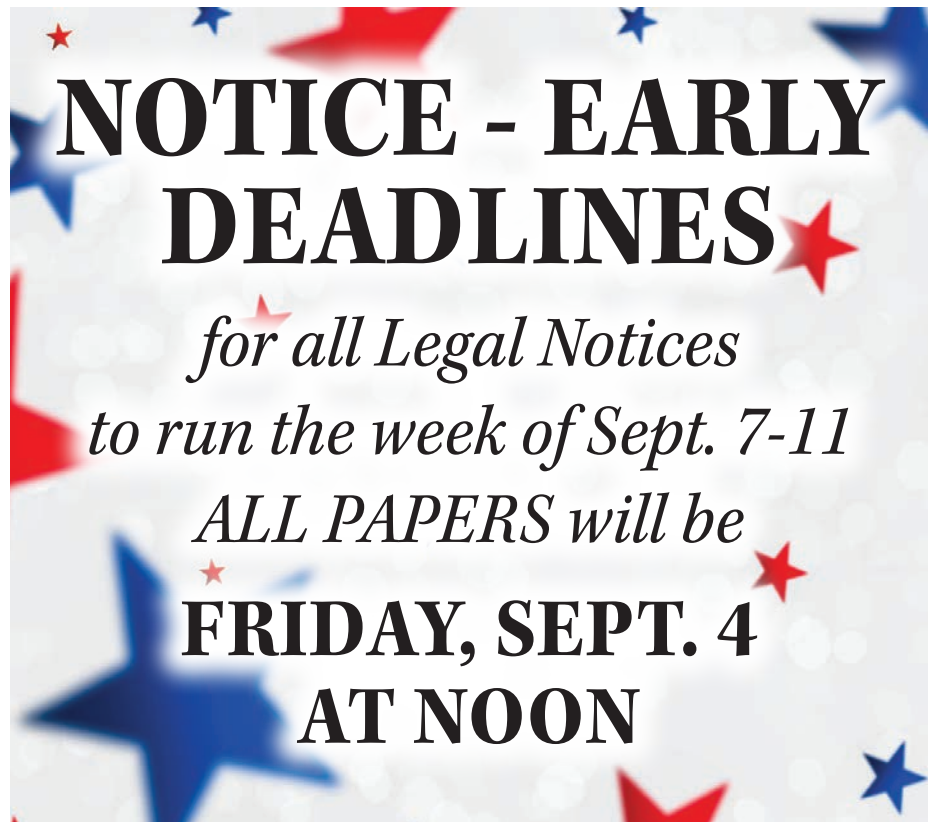
"A lot of people didn't know that there was a U.S.S. Chicopee; it's something that can spark people's curiosity to learn more about our region and our city," he said.

Adjacent to the mural of the U.S.S. Chicopee on the outside of the liquor store, Bryden and Miranda will paint an additional mural that depicts City Hall, the Market Square Plaza and the old Chicopee library. Two murals promoting Black Lives Matter will also be painted in Chicopee Center before the end of autumn.

Miranda recently completed a mural of Bernard "Bunny" Murray at the Gulf Gas Station at the intersection of McKinstry Avenue and Grattan Street, and hinted that more locally-inspired works of art will soon be visible in the city.

"We should always remember where we come from; where our ancestors have been and who we are. History teaches us lessons that we should take into consideration while making decisions in the future," said Miranda.

It is worth noting that during the Civil War a large Union Navy steamer used to patrol the waterways of the Confederacy was also named the U.S.S. Chicopee.



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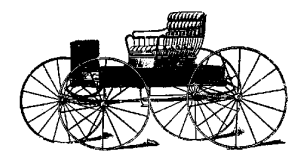

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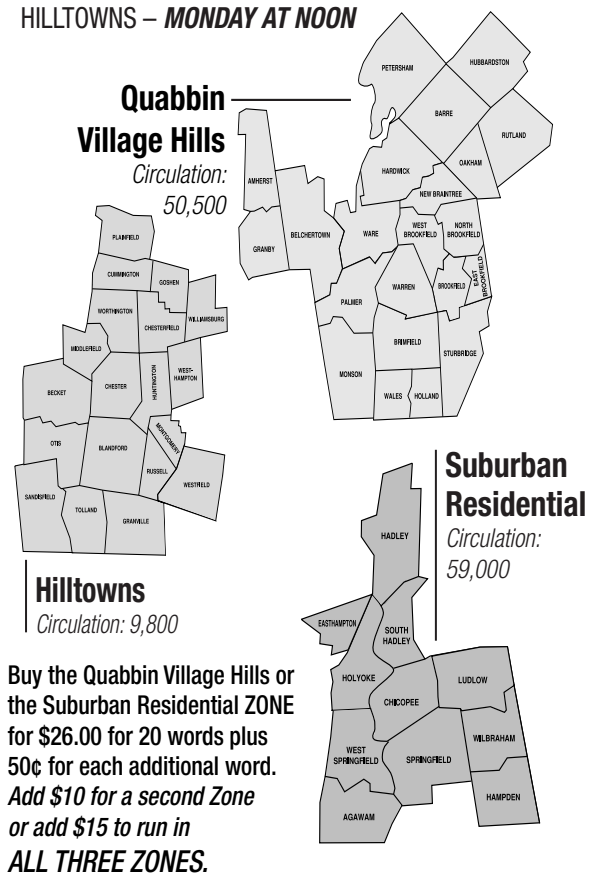


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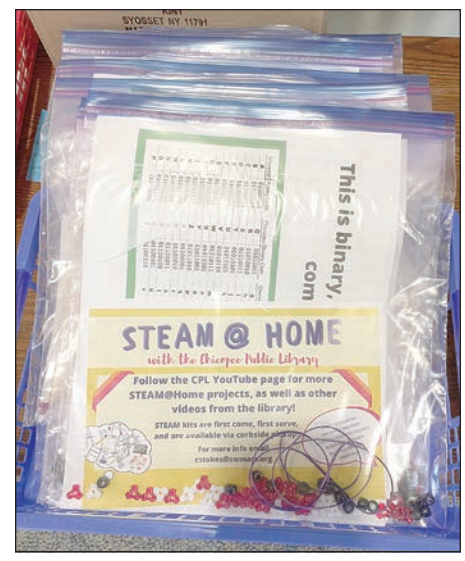
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The Chicopee Public Library is closed, but its pickup service is readily available to residents.

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